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PLOTTERS.

TOW dawns the day when Rome's bright blazing Stars Must stoop their Heads and answer for those Jars, Which they have caus'd within our Native Clime, As well at present as in former time; Thus one by one the Comets disappear, To make the Land once more ferene and clear: Rome's Dons must be un-Don'd and stoop their heads, To have their Souls fent to th' Infernal Beds. Surely their Plots must now run down the Stream. Since they have loft the Fore-horse of the Team: An Aged Biggot that for private Ends Would kill his King and Ruine all his Friends; Subvert the Government and quite confound, The Name of Protestant from English Ground, The Faith that's Ancient, Good and Apostolick, And to Enflave us to the See Catholick; False Innovations, Superstitious Toyes, Not fit for English men, but Romish Boyes, And Ancient Biggots, that Believe the Church; Till they are ruined, and left i'th Lurch; When Merit, Saintship, and their Purgatory, Will prove a frivolous and idle Story. No Medium to be found 'twixt Heaven and Hell) For fuch as do against their King Rebell, But where this Lord will, no man can tell; But this I think, the Heavens will not ope To fuch as come of Errands from the Pope; Whose Messages are wrapt in Blood and Treason, Against Gods Laws; against all humane Reason; Yet Rome's fond Biggots dare rely on Merit, Against the Dictates of the Holy Spirit; And under that weak Shield they dare to act The greatest Treason and most Horrid Fact;

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And think still to escape by Sham-Evasions,) - Damn'd Lyes, and foolish Reservations, And both base and roguish Equivocations. Denying all that they 're accused for, Proteiling that they do fuch Crimes abhor, They'l pray for King and Subject as for Friends, When they perceive they've lost their witht for Ends; Which had they gain'd, must we Mass and Te Deum sing, And Fire and Sword in Case of our refusing To entertain the Popilh Faith and Creed; These were the things that would their Plots succeed: And though 'tis too well known this is the cafe, Yet they'l deny't and spit in Justice face; But Heavens forbid that we thould ever Trye The Curse of Rome in Popish Crusty: When they'l not blush to act those bloody Crimes, That now they have deny'd so many times. Thus this great Traitor for a Recompence, Wraps Treason in the Cloak of Innocence; And by that Cloak feeks to deceive the Nation, To think his Innocence will gain Salvation: Yet too too well we know these Popish Tricks, And dare not trust the Devils Politicks; Who like their Master Satan dare to lye, I'th face of Heaven and the open Skye, And damn their Souls when they are fure to dye. No wonder Rome doth over small ones prey, When they can lead fuch men as this away. No wonder finall ones do deny a Fact, When fuch as Stafford dare deny and act. And for to make a weak and vain defence, Swear Perjury against the Evidence; Whom for our fafety God Almighty fent To ruine Rome and Englands Fall prevent; To fave these Kingdoms from the dreadful doom That was contrived by the See of Rome, Where great and small was to be Hang'd or Burn'd, That had not to their Popish Notions turn'd: Yet when this Plot on any one is bound, They flat deny it and their Souls confound; But though they are in Innocence difguiz'd, I hope to fee them all be Staffordis'd.